***Statement***

*Total Fertility Rate (TFR)-2002*

| Sl.No. | State | TFR |
|---|---|---|
| 1. | Andhra Pradesh | 2.2 |
| 2. | Assam | 3.0 |
| 3. | Bihar | 4.3 |
| 4. | Gujarat | 2.8 |
| 5. | Haryana | 3.1 |
| 6. | Karnataka | 2.4 |
| 7. | Kerala | 1.8 |
| 8. | Madhya Pradesh | 3.8 |
| 9. | Maharashtra | 2.3 |
| 10. | Orissa | 2.6 |
| 11. | Punjab | 2.3 |
| 12. | Rajasthan | 3.9 |
| 13. | Tamil Nadu | 2.0 |
| 14. | Uttar Pradesh | 4.4 |
| 15. | West Bengal | 2.3 |
| | ALL INDIA* | 3.0 |

*Excludes Nagaland (Rural)

SOURCE: Sample Registration System (SRS); Office of the Registrar General, India.

**Status of IISCO, Burnpur**

*200. DR. K. MALAISAMY: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) the latest position of Indian Iron and Steel Company, Burnpur after taken over by the Steel Authority of India;

(b) the striking and marked improvement made after being taken over in terms of reduction of accumulated loss, reduction of high cost operation, modernisation, reduction of large working force and increase in productivity; and

(c) whether there is any further move to take over a few loss making plants under SAIL?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN): (a) and (b) Merger of Indian Iron and Steel Company (IISCO) with Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL) has been approved by the Government on 16th June, 2005 and further action for merger has been initiated. Given the sound financial health of SAIL, after merger, the accumulated loss of IISCO will be wiped off. Manpower in IISCO has already been brought down from 22,767 as on 1-4-2002 to 16,083 as on 1-7-2005 and productivity has increased from 36 Tonnes of Crude Steel/man/year in 2003-04 to 52 Tonnes of Crude Steel/man/year during April-June, 2005. Kulti Works which was unviable due to high cost of operation has been closed and IISCO has made net profit of Rs. 27.09 crores in 2003-04 and Rs. 46.59 crores in 2004-05.

For the growth, development and modernisation of IISCO, a Corporate Plan 2011-12 has been drawn out which envisages growth in crude steel production capacity from a level of 0.35 Million Tonne (MT) in 2004-05 to a level of 2.0 MT in 2011-12. The plan also envisages investment for development of Chiria Mines and appropriate investments in other mines & collieries.

(c) There is no other formal proposal at present to take over any other plant under SAIL.

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## WRITTEN ANSWERS TO UNSTARRED QUESTIONS

### Animal Diseases in U.P.

†*1264. SHRI UDAY PRATAP SINGH: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Governments consideration for Central assistance to check animal diseases in Uttar Pradesh; and

(b) if so, the reasons for delay in its implementation and the details of the proposals received from Uttar Pradesh Government for financial assistance?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTILAL BHURIA): (a) No. Sir. However there are on going programme for this purpose for which central assistance is provided to

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.